DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I do not follow you, Mr. Raman Pillai.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): Part (b), "The member is referred to page 109 of Part I of the last *Census Report* of the State" എന്നു പറയുന്നു. ഇതെല്ലാം കണ്ടുപിടിച്ച ആളിനുതന്നെ ആ സംഖ്യകൂടി ഇതിൽ എഴുതുകയല്ലേ എളുപ്പം?.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: That is the usual form.

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): In regard to facts mentioned in published documents it is usual to give the answer like that.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): ഗവണ്മെന്റ് പബ്ലിക്കേഷൻ തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലെ എല്ലാ പൌരന്മാർക്കും കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): They are being made available.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): ഇതെല്ലാം കണ്ടുപിടിച്ചയാളിനു ഈ വിവരംകൂടി എഴുതാൻ കൂടുതൽ സൌകര്യമായിരുന്നില്ലേ?

Rebate of duty on Petrol.

227. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any action has been taken by them for getting the additional duty of two annas on petrol realised from Travancore as the result of the enhancement of duty for road developments in British India;

(*b*) whether they have considered the financial aspect of this question as pointed out by me in my Budget speech on the 5th August 1929 (*vide* page 65, Vol. XV of the Council Proceedings); and

(*c*) if the answers to parts (*a*) and (*b*) are in the affirmative, the results of such action and consideration?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The matter is under correspondence.

Admissions to the Junior B. A. Class of the Arts College.

228. **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of applications received for admission to the Junior B. A. Class of the Arts College in 1105;

(*b*) the number of applicants for admission to Group III (Psychology, Ethics and Logic) and the number admitted;

(*c*) the number of applicants for admission to Group IV (History, Economics and Politics) and the number admitted; and

(*d*) the number of applicants for admission to Group V (Sanskrit and Malayalam) and the number admitted?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 181.

(*b*) (*c*) and (*d*) A statement* furnishing the information asked for by the member is laid on the table.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*) : May I know the reason why some of these applications were rejected ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

Latrine on the eastern side of the Mullakkal Temple, Alleppey.

229. MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any complaint against the construction of latrines on the eastern side of the Mullakkal temple ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the allegations made in the complaint ;

(*c*) the number of signatories to the complaint ;

(*d*) the nature of the investigation, if any, made by the Government ;

(*e*) whether the local people residing near the newly constructed latrine put in a petition before the Alleppey Municipal Council ;

(*f*) whether the President, Municipal Council, Alleppey, visited the spot ;

(*g*) whether he found that the latrine would cause immense trouble to the people residing near and passing by it ;

(*h*) whether he has done anything regarding the petition ; and

(*i*) whether he found that the people there are very much agitated over the matter ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The allegations are that the Devaswom authorities were proceeding to construct the latrine in spite of strong public protest and that the latrine near the crowded houses and close to a public well the water of which was being used very largely for drinking purposes, would be a source of great nuisance and inconvenience to the people inhabiting the neighbourhood and to the visitors to the church and the mosque close by.

(*c*) Two telegrams first received by the Government about the complaint were from four gentlemen in the Alleppey town. The number of signatories to a petition subsequently received is 112.

(*d*) A report was called for on the matter from the Devaswom Commissioner. That officer has now reported that the Municipal President has been asked to suggest a less objectionable site for the latrine and that the President has not yet done the same.

(*e*) and (*f*) Yes.

(*g*) The President states that he found that the latrine was likely to be a source of nuisance to the locality.

* Vide Appendix XXVII—page 1102.

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